

**BOARD OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
MEETING
March 23, 2015
Richmond, Virginia**

Members Present

Mr. Brian Mullins
Mr. Steve Semones
Mr. Rick Witt
Mr. Roger McLellon
Ms. Susan Dewey
Mr. Jim Hyland
Mr. Tommy Shields
Mr. Shekar Narasimhan

Members Absent

Mr. Jim Petrine
Mr. Robby Dawson
Mr. John Ainslie
Mr. Robert Kaplan
Mr. Anthony Clatterbuck
Mr. J. P. Carr

Call to Order	Mr. Brian Mullins, member of the Board of Housing and Community Development, called the meeting of the Board to order.
Roll Call	The roll was called by Mr. Steve Calhoun of the Department's Policy Office. Mr. Calhoun reported that a quorum was present for the meeting.
Approval of Minutes	A motion was made to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2014 and the January 26, 2015 meetings of the Board. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.
2015 Consolidated Plan Action Plan	Ms. Lisa Atkinson, Deputy Director of the Division of Community Development, and Ms. Lyndsi Austin, Associate Director in the Division of Housing, provided an update on the development of the this year's Consolidated Plan Action Plan for HUD, reporting on the planned use of federal funds for housing and community development purposes. Ms. Atkinson reported on HUD funding levels for current programs and provided an overview of recent public input sessions. Ms. Atkinson also reported that a public hearing will be held on April 9, 2015 and the final draft of the Action Plan will be presented to the Board at its next meeting on May 18, 2015.
Disaster Preparedness and Resiliency	Mr. Bill Shelton, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development, provided an overview of the National Disaster Resilience Competition that would provide federal funding for select areas in Virginia for disaster resiliency. The Department is currently in the process of applying for HUD Resilience Competition funding for the Hampton Roads area, including the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Mr. Shelton reported that

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the application for Phase 1 of the competition, the planning phase, is due by March 27, 2015 and that successful applicants will be notified by HUD to continue for Phase 2 for implementation of disaster recovery programs or projects addressing issues identified in Phase 1.

VHDA Report

Ms. Susan Dewey, Executive Director of the Virginia Housing Development Authority, reported that two new home ownership programs have been launched, Mortgage Credit Certificates and the Down Payment Assistance Program. For multifamily housing, Ms. Dewey reported that applications for low-income housing tax credits have been received. Ms. Dewey reported that there are currently increased efforts by HUD to fund public housing rehabilitation.

VFSB Report

There was no Virginia Fire Services Board report for this meeting.

Report of the Director

Mr. Shelton reported on the State Budget and funding for certain programs. Mr. Shelton also reported on Federal budget issues. Mr. Shelton spoke about the Virginia Housing Policy Advisory Council, the recent HUD 811 Program application decision, and the 2015 Governor's Housing Conference to be held in Hampton. Mr. Shelton reported on recent CDBG awards and Mr. Calhoun provided a handout on these awards. Mr. Bill Ernst, Policy Office Manager, reported on legislation from the 2015 General Assembly session.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Rick Witt reiterated the Board's direction to staff to work toward the removal of the administrative and technical provisions in the codes, other than Chapter 1 sections, to reflect the actual enforceable language.

New Business

None

Board Matters

None

Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, **May 18, 2015.**

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.